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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  
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Sir:

In accordance with the continuing duty of disclosure imposed by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and § 1.97 to inform the Patent and Trademark Office of all references coming to the attention of each individual associated with the filing or prosecution of the subject application, which are or may be material to the patentability of any claim of the application, Attorneys for Applicants hereby invite the Examiner's attention to the references listed on the attached revised form PTO 1449 entitled "List of References Cited by Applicant."

Also submitted herewith are a Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d) with the appropriate fee, and a Certification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)(2).

Identification of the listed references is not to be construed as an admission of Applicants or Attorneys for Applicants that such references are available as "prior art" against the subject application. Consequently, Applicants respectfully decline to use form PTO-1449, since this form identifies all of the references cited therein as "Prior Art." As an alternative, Applicants submit herewith a "revised form PTO 1449" entitled "List of References Cited" instead of "List of Prior Art Cited."

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner review the references identified on the attached revised PTO

Form 1449, and that they be made of record in the file history  
of the above-captioned application.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Sir:

The undersigned attorney for Applicant hereby states that no item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement submitted concurrently herewith in the above-identified application was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application or, to the knowledge of the person signing the certification after making reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

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